

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## **AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of December 17, 2002, please amend application as follows:

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## IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 3, 8 and 9-13 as follows:

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- 1. (Amended) A method of detecting a windshear condition in an atmosphere in front of an aircraft, the method comprising the steps of:
  - (a) projecting a series of optical pulses into an atmosphere ahead of the aircraft;
- (b) detecting a series of reflected optical responses from the atmosphere corresponding to reflections from predetermined different distances in front of the aircraft;